

...BUT ARE  
YOU ALL AWARE  
THAT EVEN  
BENEFICIAL  
THINGS CAN  
BECOME...

SORRY  
FOR THE  
ABRUPT-  
NESS...

...IF MISUSED,  
CAN BECOME  
POISON?

HELLO,  
EVERYBODY

THE KEY  
ITEM IS THIS  
ERASABLE  
MARKER!

THIS  
CURRENT  
CASE IS  
JUST  
LIKE  
THAT.

...WRITE  
WITH THIS  
USEFUL  
PEN, AND  
WHEW!

THE  
QUESTION  
IS, HOW?  
DID THE  
PERR...

NOW  
THAT  
SIDE...

I HEAR  
THERE'VE  
RECENTLY  
BEEN CASES  
OF DEATH  
INVOLVING  
THESE MARK-  
ERS ON  
BLOOD.

ATTORNEY  
ABAKU  
INUGAMI,  
SIGNING  
OFF.

WELL THEN,  
LET'S  
PROCEED  
TO THE  
CONCLUSION



CHAPTER 6  
THE SHUICHI HIGASHIDE  
CHEATING CASE (2)



Accused Shuichi Higashide



...IT IS  
DIFFICULT  
POSSIBLE  
FOR THE  
ACCUSED  
TO HAVE  
COM-  
MITTED  
SAY  
CRIME  
THEN!

SINCE  
THERE  
WERE  
NO  
WIT-  
NESSES  
...

Prosecutor Fina Groul

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HIGHSHIRE  
REMAINED  
SILENT  
THE  
PREVIOUS  
DAY  
BECAUSE  
TEACHER  
HAD  
ASSIGNED  
HIM A  
TASK,  
NOT TO  
COMMIT...

OBJEC-  
TION,  
YOUR  
HONOR!

Attorney Sheld Hupen

I  
OVERRIDE  
THE  
DEFENSE'S  
OBJECTION.

...WE  
CANNOT  
WAKE  
LIGHT  
OF  
AND  
DENY  
THE  
POSSIBILITY...

YES, THERE  
SEEMS  
NO  
SECURITY  
CAMERAS  
HERE...



...PLEASE  
BEGIN  
EXAMINATION  
OF YOUR TWO  
WITNESSES!

DR.  
WILL  
THINK  
RECON-  
STRUCTION...

IS THAT  
YOUR  
INFORMATION?

AND  
AND BE  
PROSECUT

Judge  
Walter Hupen



THE  
ATTACHÉS  
SURPRISED  
BY THE  
PRODUCTION  
TEAM BEING  
MAGGIEMAN  
AND ASA.



...AND  
ASA STATED  
SHE'D BEEN  
CHOSEN OF  
THE TWO  
PERFECT  
MAGGIEMAN  
FOR A WHILE.



MAGGIEMAN  
PERFECTLY  
RECALLED THE  
POINT THAT  
MAGGIEMAN  
ACTING  
DURING THE  
GOLD THAT  
WAS  
REGULAR...



THE  
FEELINGS  
OCCASIONALLY  
DRAGGED TO  
MAGGIEMAN'S  
SIDE,  
CONTINUED...

BUT MAGGIEMAN  
WAS IF NEVER  
DO SUCH A THING  
AS CHATBOT?

1000  
1/18  
99

THE DEFENSE IS PERMITTED  
**CROSS-  
EXAMINATION...**  
DO YOU WISH  
TO DO SO?

DR,  
IS THAT  
IT?

THE TRAP  
OF MY  
COUNTER-  
ATTACK...  
IS SET!!

**I DO  
INDEED!**

## CROSS-EXAMINATION:

The questioning of the prosecution  
versus by the defense (or vice versa)

BUT THERE  
WERE OTHER  
CHAMBERS TO BE  
ALONE IN THE  
CLASSROOM,  
NOT

FOR SURE,  
RELAISIDE HAD  
THE OPPORTUNITY TO  
COMMIT THE CRIME  
THE PREVIOUS DAY  
AFTER SCHOOL...

THAT'S  
RIGHT,  
FOR  
EXAMPLE

...BEFORE  
THE NEXT  
STUDENT  
SHOWED  
UP TO  
ALTER  
KURA-SHIO'S  
DRINK.  
AND...

IF YOU  
ARRIVED  
EARLY,  
YOU'D  
HAVE  
PLENTY  
OF TIME...

THAT  
MORNING  
ON THE  
DAY OF  
THE TEST,  
TUESDAY!

...THE ONE  
WHO WAS  
FIRST THAT  
MORNING,  
UNUSUALLY  
SO, WAS YOU,  
NAKAGAWA,  
WASNT IT?

Today's Calendar: Tuesday, April 11

**DAILY SCHEDULE**

	1	2	3	4	5
1	総合	国語	社会	理科	算数
2	社会	国語	理科	算数	総合
3	国語	算数	総合	社会	理科
4	理科	算数	総合	社会	国語
5	算数	総合	社会	国語	理科

BEFORE...  
BUT I  
DON'T WRITE  
THOSE  
KURA  
INSTEAD HIS  
DRINK FIRST  
THAN IN THE  
MORNING

YES, BUT  
SO WHAT?  
I'D JUST  
HAPPENED TO  
WAKE UP EARLY

HEY

QUITE  
SUSPICIOUS  
NAKAGAWA...

THE VICE  
PRINCIPAL  
CLEARLY  
REMEMBERS  
HANDING  
YOU THE  
KEY

OR  
DID HE  
REALIZE IT  
AND GO  
THROUGH  
WITH THE  
TEST  
WITHOUT  
REPORTING  
IT?

WHICH  
MEANS  
HISASHIGE  
WOULD  
HAVE  
NOTICED  
IT THEN

OHAYO,  
EMPTY BEAR  
PEERS OUT!

WE HAVE  
TO EMPTY  
OUR  
DRINKS  
BEFORE  
A TEST,  
RIGHT?



I WOULD  
NEVER  
VIOLATE THE  
RULES.

IF I HAD BEEN  
SUCH A THING,  
I WOULD HAVE  
MENTIONED IT  
ON THE SPOT!!



DO YOU  
HAVE  
ANYTHING  
TO SAY  
TO THAT  
HEADSPEE



IT  
ELIMINATED  
NAKAMURA'S  
"EARLY  
MORNING"  
CRIME THEORY.



THIS IS VERY  
IMPORTANT  
INFORMATION.

THAT'S RIGHT,  
AS OF FIRST  
PERIOD, WHEN  
THE TEST WAS  
GIVEN, NOTHING  
WAS WRITTEN  
INSIDE THE DESK  
HEADSPEE WAS  
SITTING AT!



...AND  
PEOPLE WITH  
HEADSPEE'S DESK IN  
ORDER TO FIND HIM.

WHILE  
EVERYBODY'S  
OUT ON THE  
ATHLETIC  
FIELD, ONE  
COULD LIE  
ABOUT GOING  
TO THE  
BATHROOM..



SO THEN...  
THAT BRINGS  
US TO AFTER  
THE TEST,  
OR SECOND  
PERIOD  
PHYS ED!









NAKAYAMA! ARE  
YOU NOT THE TRUE  
PERPETRATOR...

WHAT  
THE  
HECK?  
THAT'S  
NOT  
FUNNY!

AHA...

HEY  
HOW

Ahh...

...  
WHO TRIED  
TO FRAME  
HIGASHIDE?!

EVEN  
AT A RUN, IT'S  
TWO MINUTES  
EACH WAY FROM  
THE ATHLETIC  
FIELD TO THE  
CLASSROOM.  
THEN IT TAKES  
FIVE MINUTES  
TO WRITE ALL  
THOSE KANJI  
INSIDE THAT  
DESK. SO  
THE MINIMUM  
TIME NEEDED  
WOULD BE  
 $2 \times 20 + 5 =$   
ROUGHLY TEN  
MINUTES.

YEAH,  
YOU'RE  
RIGHT.  
I TESTED  
IT OUT TOO  
AND...

AND  
ONLY  
1.5 MIN

FIVE MINUTES  
IS WAY TOO  
SHORT TO  
HAVE DONE...

FIRST OFF,  
I WAS ONLY  
GOING TO USE  
THE BATHROOM  
FOR FIVE  
MINUTES DURING  
PHYS ED!

YOU  
COMMITTED  
THE CRIME  
NOT DURING  
PHYS ED...

NO, THE  
ANSWER IS  
SIMPLE.

KEEP THEN,  
SINCE I WAS  
ONLY GONE FOR  
FIVE MINUTES,  
IT'S NOT  
POSSIBLE FOR  
ME TO HAVE...

ATTORNEY:  
DIDN'T YOU  
JUST SAY  
EARLIER...

...THAT  
HIS-  
SHOPE'S  
DESK  
WAS  
CLEAN  
BEFORE  
THE  
TEST!!

...BUT IN THE  
MORNING BEFORE  
EVERYONE ELSE  
SHOWED UP,  
AFTER ALL!  
THAT'S WHEN  
YOU WROTE THE  
KANJI INSIDE  
HISASHIPE'S  
DESK!!



BUT, CONVERSELY IF THE ONLY WAY TO TELL THE DESKS APART ARE THE NAMEPLATE STICKERS...



PEW!!

YES, MOST LIKELY

IF, AS YOU STATED, THE TWO WERE EACH SITTING AT THE OTHER'S DESKS, THERE'S NO WAY TEACHER WOULDN'T HAVE NOTICED...



ON THE FRONT OF IT, IN A CLEARLY VISIBLE SPOT, IS THE NAMEPLATE STICKER!

THESE NAMEPLATES  
BY: HIGASHIDE

THESE NAMEPLATES



NO, ALL THAT'S NOT NECESSARY IN THE CASE OF TADASHI FUCHI.



IF YOU'RE CLAIMING THAT SHE REWROTE THE NAME AFTER ERASING THEIR?



AND PROBABLY, ARE YOU AWARE OF THE ERASABLE...

...ALSO CHANGED THE NAMEPLATE STICKERS THEM.

THAT'S RIGHT! AFTER SWITCHING THE DESKS THAT MORNING, NAKAYAMA...

BUT THE WRITING WOULD BE TOTALLY ODDLY AND EVEN MORE ODDLY...

...AND ERASABLE CORRECTION PEN!!

...IT ERASABLE MARKERS...

...AND THE ERASABLE CORRECTION PEN TO TURN "HIGASHIDE" TO "NAKAYAMA"!!



SHE USED THE ERASABLE MARKER TO MAKE "NAKAYAMA" INTO "HIGASHIDE"...



AND THAT IS HOW HISASHIDE'S DESK INSTANTLY BECAME A CHEAT SHEET!

SHE APPLIED AN ERASER TO BOTH NAMEPLATE STICKERS, RETURNING THEM TO THE CORRECT NAMES, PUT THE DESKS BACK IN THEIR ORIGINAL SPOTS, AND COMPLETED HER SCHEME!

THEN LATER, DURING SECOND PERIOD, *PHOEBE ED*, NAKAMURA TAKED A BATHROOM TRIP TO GO TO THE CLASSROOM INSTEAD.

DETACHED OUT THE CONTENTS OF THE DESK TOO, OF COURSE.

THIS IS THE TRUTH BEHIND NAKAMURA'S FIVE-MINUTE SEAP DURING *PHOEBE ED*, WHEN SHE WAS AWAY.

...FOR THE SOUND TRIP STILL MAKES IT ONLY FIVE MINUTES.

ONE MINUTE MAY BE TOO SHORT FOR WRITING KANJI, BUT NOT FOR THIS. SHE AND EVEN ADDING IN FOUR MORE ...

NOPE. JUST LIKE WITH AGA...

IN FACT, IT'S STILL POSSIBLE THAT HISASHIDE SET THIS UP THE DAY BEFORE

...

NO, HOLD ON THERE. SO MY NAME CAN EASILY BE CONVERTED TO "HISASHIDE." THAT'S JUST A COINCIDENCE.

...THERE'S ACTUALLY SOMETHING THAT DEFINITELY RULES HISASHIDE OUT AS THE PERR.

YOU'RE ONLY SURPRISED RIGHT??

WHERE'S YOUR PROOF?



TRUE, THERE'S NO WAY HESSEBIE, WHO GOT A PERFECT SCORE THAT EVE COULD BE THE PERP...

I SUSPECT THE PERPETRATOR COPIED IT INCORRECTLY BY MISTAKE.

OF ALL THE WORDS WRITTEN INSIDE THIS PERK, ONLY THE KANJI FOR "SHADOW" IS WRONG.

DID YOU HAPPEN TO NOTICE IT, JUNEBO?

YOU SAID YOU MISSED SCORING 100 DUE TO A STUPID MISTAKE...

...BUT IF THAT ONE CANAL HAS ERROR...

READY TO TROUBLE YOU, MISS HESSEBIE, BUT THE COURT HESSEBIE ORDERS YOU TO PROVIDE YOUR ANSWER SHEET FOR INSPECTION...

THAT WON'T BE NECESSARY.

...  
GET JUST THIS ONE ANSWER WRONG.

CONVERSELY, THE PERP, WHO TOOK THE TEST SITTING AT THIS DESK, WOULD LOGICALLY

...WAS THE KANJI FOR "SHADOW," YOU'LL ACKNOWLEDGE YOUR CRIME!





...COULD  
NEVER HOPE  
TO CATCH UP  
TO STRAIGHT-  
LIVING  
HGA-SHIDE'S  
LIGHT!

AT THE  
VERY LEAST,  
YOU WHO  
SPEND YOUR  
*EFFORT*  
SABOTAGING  
OTHERS...

AS WITH  
THAT PEN  
TOO...

...TWE  
AND EFFORT  
DEPENDS  
ON HOW YOU  
USE THEM.

JUDG

I  
HESITATE  
PRO-  
NOUNCE  
...

MENT!!

I HOPE  
THIS  
TEACHES  
YOU THE  
MEANING OF HARD  
WORK.

...THE  
ACCUSED,  
SHUCH  
HGA-  
SHIDE...  
*INNO-  
CENT!!*

RYUNO  
NARAKAWA,  
YOU ARE TO  
FILL 100  
PAGES OF A  
100-SQUARE  
LEMON  
BOOK WITH  
THE REALITY  
FOR 'EFFORT'!!

COURT  
IS AD-  
JUDGED!!



